NWS FORM E-5	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	HYDROLOGIC SERVICE AREA (HSA)		
(11-88)	NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATI	ON		
(PRES. BY WSOM E-41)	NATIONAL WEATHER SERVIO	CESan Angelo, TX		
MONTHLY	REPORT OF RIVER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS	REPORT FOR: MONTH December	YEAR 1997	
TO:	Hydrometeorological Information Center, W/OH2 NOAA / National Weather Service 1325 East West Highway, Room 7230 Silver Spring, MD 20910-3283	SIGNATURE Amy McCullough In Charge of HSA		
		DATE January 8, 1998	8	
When no flooding	g occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as sign	ficant rises, record l	ow stages, ice conditions, snc	JVV

X No flood stages were reached in this HSA for the month above.

cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (WSOM E-41).

The San Angelo HSA experienced above normal precipitation for the month of December, which contributed to a year of above normal rainfall. The heaviest rainfall occurred on the 20th through 22nd, with some areas in the Colorado, Llano and Pecan Bayou basins receiving over an inch of rain. However, no flash flooding or river flooding occurred. Precipitation occurring on the 26th came in the form of snow, with 1 to 4 inches across the area, but it quickly melted by the next day. A series of upper-level low pressure systems moved from the West Coast across West Central Texas during December, resulting 6 days of measurable rainfall and above normal precipitation totals.

San Angelo received 1.38 inches of precipitation in December, which was 0.59 inches above normal. San Angelo ended the year with 23.38 inches of precipitation, 2.93 inches above normal. Abilene also saw above normal precipitation, with 3.16 inches in December. This is 2.13 inches above normal for the month. For the year, Abilene received 27.08 inches of precipitation, which is 2.68 inches above normal. Despite the abundant rainfall, soil moisture is relatively low as conditions were dry before the rain occurred. The threat of flooding remains low across the HSA.